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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : D. Romeo
Group Art Unit : 1647
Applicants : Hermann Oppermann, et al.
Application No. : 09/374,936
Confirmation No.: Not Yet assigned
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For : MODIFIED PROTEINS AND DNAs OF THE TGF- β
SUPERFAMILY, INCLUDING MODIFIED
MORPHOGENIC PROTEINS

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in reply to the July 16, 2001 Official Action in the above-identified application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2) to extend the deadline for responding two months up to and including December 17, 2001 (December 16, 2001 being a Sunday).

Kindly amend the application as follows*:

* An "Appendix to Amendments" is enclosed as Tab A, showing the amendments to the specification and to claims 1, (continued...)

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